

25X1

SECRET

CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY

INFORMATION REPORT

COUNTRY **Bulgaria**

SUBJECT **Anti-Communist Activity and Its Repression**

DATE DISTR. 20 Jul 1954

NO. OF PAGES 2
25X1

NO. OF ENCLS.

SUPP. TO
REPORT NO.

THIS DOCUMENT CONTAINS INFORMATION AFFECTING THE NATIONAL DEFENSE OF THE UNITED STATES, WITHIN THE MEANING OF TITLE 18, SECTIONS 793 AND 794, OF THE U.S. CODE, AS AMENDED. ITS TRANSMISSION OR REVELATION OF ITS CONTENTS TO OR RECEIPT BY AN UNAUTHORIZED PERSON IS PROHIBITED BY LAW. THE REPRODUCTION OF THIS REPORT IS PROHIBITED.

THIS IS UNEVALUATED INFORMATION

25X1

1. Typewritten leaflets have been clandestinely distributed in the important manufacturing town of Gabreve. They consist entirely of attacks on the regime. They are secretly distributed, not only at Gabreve but also in the neighboring villages.
2. The police have proceeded promptly to repressive measures. They gathered up the leaflets and on 8 May 54 arrested the following individuals:

Vasil Klevel, schoolmaster
Pavli Yabakev
Maro Metshineva (a woman)
Yefrem Gertshev.
3. All these people were sent to Tŕrnevo. The charge against them was distributing reactionary papers, hostile to the regime.
4. There were also three arrests at Plevdiv. One of the individuals arrested was a certain Dikran Melkenyan. According to his own story, he belongs to a foreign propaganda service.
5. Nationalists 125X1 the Karleve region have also been arrested lately, on charges of holding secret meetings. Documents, discovered by the Communist authorities, show that the accused persons were arranging for sabotage of the delivery of agricultural products to the state. The following were arrested, while actually attending a secret meeting for this purpose:

25X1

· 25X1

This report is for the use within the USA of the Intelligence components of the Departments or Agencies indicated above. It is not to be transmitted overseas without the concurrence of the originating office through the Assistant Director of the Office of Collection and Dissemination, CIA. All or parts of the contents have been provided by the above organizations in Intelligence publications receiving overseas distribution providing the publication bears the caveat [] and the citation, if made, refers only to "CIA Source".

SECRET

SEE LAST PAGE FOR SUBJECT & AREA CODES

DISTRIBUTION											
STATE		ARMY		NAVY		AIR		FBI			

SECRET

-2-

Grigor Yonov
Timofei Drojev
Luca Bogatchev
Todor Dimitrev
Mstislav Vasilov

6. The prisoners were denounced by Timofei Drojev, although his name appears on the list of these arrested--a common maneuver. Drojev was a brother-in-law of the president of the Communist Youth Organization of the region. In addition, relatives of the individuals listed above have been arrested, and other arrests are to follow.

- end -

25X1

... Grigor Yonov

SECRET